

*(Escapement of salmon in Chilkoot River
in 1925)*

Extract from semi-monthly report of M. J. O'Connor,
Warden, Southeastern Alaska District,
October 1 to 15, inclusive, 1925.

Oct. 2 - 3, 1925.

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8:50 Arrive mouth of Chilkoot river, started in canoe for lake,
crossed the lake and found the small lake on the S.W. corner
of the big lake, where the red salmon spawned.

The gravel was covered with silt from 10 to 18 inches deep. There was only 200 red salmon which were spawning in small patches of gravel that was still exposed. Walked up the upper river which empties into the lake. There was no salmon spawning in the first 2-3/4 miles, in the next 3/4 mile there was about 95,000 red salmon spawning in a small creek flowing into the river from the south. There was about 30,000 in next 1/4 of a mile. It was dark when we arrived at the river and we built a fire and kept it going all night.

The next day we went up the river about 4 miles more. There were about 260,000 red salmon spawning and spawned in river sloughs and creeks flowing into the river at that place; there were about 385,000 red salmon in the upper river.

We then returned to the lake and rowed around close to the shore. It was estimated there were about 60,000 red salmon spawning and spawned in the lake and the mouth of creeks flowing into the lake. It is estimated there are 445,000 red salmon in Chilkoot river, creeks, and sloughs and lakes.

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